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SUBJECT: AMB BOGOSIAN'S MEETINGS WITH THE FRENCH AND

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BELGIANS

1. BRUSSELS AND PARIS: PLEASE SEE THAT RWANDA/BURUNDI SPECIAL COORDINATOR AMBASSADOR RICHARD BOGOSIAN HAS THESE TALKING POINTS BEFORE HE MEETS WITH BELGIAN AND FRENCH OFFICIALS MONDAY AND TUESDAY, JULY 10, 11.

2. TALKING POINTS FOR BELGIAN AND FRENCH MEETINGS:

REGION

STRESSING THE NEED FOR CLOSE U.S.-FRANCE/BELGIUM COOPERATION ON RWANDA AND BURUNDI POLICY, ASK FOR THEIR VIEWS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION AND NEEDED ACTIONS BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

EXPRESS OUR CONCERN OVER REPORTS OF POSSIBLE CROSS-BORDER MILITARY ACTIVITY BY THE EX-FAR AGAINST RWANDA AND A POSSIBLE ALLIANCE WITH THE BURUNDI HUTU AGAINST THE BURUNDI GOVERNMENT.

ASK FOR THEIR VIEWS ON HOW TO ESTABLISH A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE HUTU AND THE TUTSIS. SUGGESTIONS ON AN APPROPRIATE MEDIATOR OR GO-BETWEEN.

NOTE THAT WE HAVE ALL SUPPORTED A REGIONAL POLITICAL CONFERENCE. ASK THEIR VIEWS ON HOW SUCH A CONFERENCE SHOULD BE STRUCTURED TO USEFULLY CONTRIBUTE TO RECONCILIATION?

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NOTE REPORTS THAT THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL IS CONSIDERING NAMING A REGIONAL COORDINATOR. ASK FOR THEIR VIEWS ON APPROPRIATE CANDIDATES, SCOPE OF WORK AND WHETHER SUCH A COORDINATOR COULD USEFULLY ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE HUTU LEADERSHIP. URGE THEM TO JOIN US IN ASKING THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO VET HIS APPOINTMENT OF A REGIONAL COORDINATOR WITH US BEFORE ANNOUNCING THE APPOINTMENT.

ASK FOR THEIR VIEWS ON HOW WE CAN PREVENT ARMS FROM GETTING TO THE REGION.

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RWANDA:

NOTE REPORTS OF UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT FLYING IN RWANDAN AIRSPACE AND RWANDAN THREATS TO SHOOT THE PLANE DOWN. THE PLANE SUPPOSEDLY CAME FROM ZAIRE. ASK FOR THEIR HELP IN PASSING THE WORD IN ZAIRE THAT ANY SUCH FLIGHTS ARE DANGEROUS RISK BEING INTERDICTED BY RWANDA AND SHOULD BE STOPPED.

SEEK THEIR SUPPORT FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE ARMS EMBARGO TO ALLOW US TO IMPORT SMALL EXPLOSIVES INTO RWANDA FOR OUR DEMINING TRAINING PROGRAM.

FOR THE FRENCH ONLY

AT THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL CONFERENCE IN KIGALI IN MAY ATTENDED BY A/S SHATTUCK, THE FRENCH PROMISED TO PASS LEGISLATION ALLOWING FOR THE EXTRADITION OF RWANDAN GENOCIDE SUSPECTS FROM FRANCE.

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ASK FOR A PROGRESS REPORT, ALONG WITH THEIR VIEWS OF THE TRIBUNAL.

FOR THE FRENCH AND THE BELGIANS

URGE THEM AGAIN TO SUPPORT THE TRIBUNAL BOTH FINANCIALLY AND WITH PERSONNEL TO PROMOTE RECONCILIATION AND ENSURE THAT THE PERPETRATORS OF GENOCIDE ARE PUNISHED.

BURUNDI:

NOTE THAT WE ARE SUPPORTING THE OAU INITIATIVE TO BRING BURUNDI LEADERS TO ADDIS ABABA TO MAKE PEACE. WE ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND POLITICAL SUPPORT TO THIS INITIATIVE AND ASK OUR ALLIES TO JOIN US -- ESPECIALLY FRANCE AS REQUESTED BY ETHIOPIAN PRESIDENT MELES (ADDIS ABABA 5347), THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE OAU.

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COMMISSION OF INQUIRY IN BURUNDI.  
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